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Elder abuse is a serious problem in Michigan

- Nearly 80,000 Michiganians are victims of elder abuse.
- Acts of physical, emotional, and financial harm against the elderly are under-reported and go unrecognized.
- Michigan lacks standards to coordinate between state and local authorities on alleged elderly abuse.
- Weak penalties don't deter against further abuse.

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**We must act to protect our
vulnerable citizens**

- Increase coordination between state and local authorities to expedite claims investigation.
- Better define forms of elder abuse to increase reporting.
- Ease restrictions on reporting abuse, and enact “whistle blower” type protections for employees.
- Create stricter penalties for elder abuse.

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